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Modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/71/L.58

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

I. Introduction

1. Draft resolution A/71/L.58, on the modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration, is in response to General Assembly resolution 71/1, entitled "New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants", which launched the process of intergovernmental negotiations for the adoption, at an intergovernmental conference to be held in 2018, of a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration. The global compact would set out a range of principles, commitments and understandings among Member States regarding international migration in all its dimensions; make an important contribution to global governance and enhance coordination on international migration; present a framework for comprehensive international cooperation on migrants and human mobility; deal with all aspects of international migration, including the humanitarian, developmental, human rights-related and other aspects of migration; and be guided by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, and informed by the Declaration of the

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High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development adopted in October 2013.

II. Requests contained in the draft resolution

2. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 1, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 22 (a), 23, 24, 26, 28 and 30 of draft resolution A/71/L.58, the General Assembly would:

(a) Decide that the intergovernmental conference to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration: (i) would be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York immediately prior to the opening of the general debate of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly, unless otherwise agreed; (ii) would be held at the highest possible political level, including Heads of State or Government; (iii) would result in an intergovernmentally negotiated and agreed outcome, entitled "Global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration", the scope of which is defined in annex II to its resolution 71/1; and (iv) would also result in summaries of the plenary meetings and other deliberations of the conference, to be included in the report of the conference;

(b) Request the Secretary-General to appoint a Secretary-General of the conference ahead of phase I to act as focal point on behalf of the United Nations system for providing support to the preparatory process and to the organization of the conference, and note that the role of the Secretary-General of the conference would cease upon completion of the conference;

(c) Also request the Secretary-General to prepare a note on the organization of work of the intergovernmental conference that would serve as the basis for the precise modalities of the intergovernmental conference to be decided by Member States by January 2018;

(d) Request the President of the General Assembly, with the support of the Secretary-General and by drawing upon the expertise of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in particular, other members of the Global Migration Group and other relevant entities, to organize a series of informal thematic sessions on facilitating safe, orderly and regular migration that would address, but not be limited to, the elements outlined in annex II, paragraph 8, to its resolution 71/1 to be discussed under one or more of the themes and be co-chaired by the co-facilitators, between April and November 2017;

(e) Decide that these informal thematic sessions would be organized for a maximum duration of 12 working days in total and would each consist of two or three expert panels, as well as an interactive exchange;

(f) Also decide that each expert panel would be moderated by a Member State to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly, in consultation with regional groups and with due regard for geographical balance, and that the composition of the panels would take into account situations in countries of origin, transit and destination;

(g) Request the regional economic commissions and invite their subregional offices, in collaboration with other relevant entities of the United Nations system, particularly IOM, to organize discussions among States Members of the United

Nations and other relevant stakeholders to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration and to provide inputs, in accordance with their respective mandates, to the preparatory process of the global compact;

(h) Decide that a preparatory meeting co-chaired by the co-facilitators would be held in Mexico in late November 2017 for a duration of three days and that it would take stock of the inputs received, as outlined in paragraphs 15 and 22 of the draft resolution;

(i) Express its appreciation to the Government of Mexico for its offer to host and cover the costs of the preparatory meeting;

(j) Request the Secretary-General, in close consultation with IOM, as an input to the zero draft of the global compact and the intergovernmental negotiations, to present a report that includes facts and figures, as well as challenges and opportunities based on the full range of inputs then available and to provide Member States with recommendations before the beginning of phase III;

(k) Also decide that intergovernmental negotiations on the global compact would be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York in February 2018 for three days, in March 2018 for four days, in April 2018 for four days, in May 2018 for five days, in June 2018 for five days and in July 2018 for five days;

(l) Request the President of the General Assembly, as part of the preparatory process for the intergovernmental conference, to organize and to preside over four days of informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearings, between April 2017 and June 2018, with representatives of non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, parliaments, diasporas, migrants, migrant organizations and the private sector, and also request the President of the Assembly to prepare a summary of the hearings, to be made available as an input for the intergovernmental negotiations.

III. Relationship of the requests to the biennial programme plan and priorities for the periods 2016-2017 and 2018-2019 and to the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 and the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019

3. The requested activities referred to in the draft resolution relate to programme 1, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management; programme 7, Economic and social affairs; programme 13, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice; programme 15, Economic and social development in Africa; programme 16, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific; programme 18, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean; programme 19, Economic and social development in Western Asia; programme 20, Human rights; programme 24, Public information; and programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plans and priorities for the periods 2016-2017 and 2018-2019.

4. They also relate to section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination; section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management; section 9, Economic and social affairs; section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice; section 18, Economic and social development in Africa; section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific; section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean; section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia; section 24, Human rights; section 28, Public information; and section 29G, Administration, Vienna, of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 and the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019.

IV. Activities by which the requests would be implemented

5. The Secretary-General would appoint a Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration to also serve as the Secretary-General of the conference. It is expected that the Secretary-General of the conference would attend the informal regional and thematic sessions and engage in liaison with various stakeholders as part of the preparatory process and the organization of the conference.

6. The President of the General Assembly, with the support of the Secretary-General and drawing upon the expertise of IOM in particular, other members of the Global Migration Group and other relevant entities, would organize a series of informal thematic sessions between April and November 2017 at the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations Headquarters in New York and the United Nations Office at Vienna. These sessions would be organized for a maximum duration of 12 working days in total and would each consist of two or three expert panels as well as an interactive exchange, with each expert panel to be moderated by a Member State and appointed by the President of the Assembly. The sessions would give stakeholders the opportunity to discuss a range of complex issues that have an impact on migration. The sessions would be supported by expertise from United Nations entities referred to in the New York Declaration, including the International Labour Organization, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the United Nations Development Programme and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). Other entities with significant mandates and expertise related to migration would contribute to the process.

7. This would also necessitate the travel of United Nations conference management staff, as well as the travel of staff to venues where no related liaison office is present. This would include conference services staff of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, staff of the Office of the President of the General Assembly, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and UNODC, and the Secretary-General of the conference to venues outside New York in order to ensure that consultations are supported with the requisite expertise.

8. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would provide for meetings services, including interpretation services, and pre-session documentation.

9. The Secretary-General, in close consultation with IOM, is expected to present a report that would include facts and figures as well as challenges and opportunities. Its preparation would require consultancy support for the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in carrying out the research and data analysis required. It is envisaged that the report would be issued in all six official languages and would constitute an addition to the documentation workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.

10. UNODC would also require four months of consultancy support in order to meet the additional requirements related to the holding of the thematic session in Vienna on the smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims.

11. Regional economic commissions and their subregional offices would organize discussions among Member States and other relevant participants with a view to examining regional and subregional aspects of international migration and providing inputs, in accordance with their respective mandates, to the preparatory process of the global compact. Migration is a global phenomenon, but various regions experience migration differently. Some regions are net producers of migrants and others are net receivers, while many countries act as transit countries. Most of the countries concerned are countries of origin, destination and transit of migrants simultaneously.

12. Additional requirements for the organization of the requested regional consultations are expected for the regional commissions, including the Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia. In each case, the requirements would include the preparation of background papers, reports and meeting documentation and the provision of conference services, including interpretation. Experts drawn from academia, civil society, regional organizations and the private sector would take part in the discussions, thereby providing the range of expertise necessary to inform participants about the complex causes and effects of migration. Given the differences in migration dynamics within these regions, three regional discussions would be held in Africa and one event each would be held in Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean and Western Asia.

13. In order to meet the additional demand for human rights-related work, OHCHR is requesting a temporary position for three months for the conduct of a comprehensive desk review and analysis of legal and policy issues relating to migration and human rights, as well the preparation of background documentation on the human rights-related aspects of the thematic session.

14. In order to ensure access for all delegations to the proceedings of the thematic consultations, the Department of Public Information will require additional contractual services for webcast purposes.

V. Estimated resource requirements

A. Conference-servicing requirements

Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, and section 29G, Administration, Vienna

15. With regard to the request contained in operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution, it is understood that all issues relating to the conference, including its dates, format, organization and scope, have yet to be determined. Accordingly, in the absence of modalities for the conference, it is not possible at present to estimate the potential cost implications of the requirements for meetings and documentation. Upon the decision of the General Assembly on the modalities, format and organization of the conference, the Secretary-General would submit the relevant costs of such requirements in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly. Furthermore, the dates of the conference would have to be determined in consultation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.

16. It is anticipated that the request contained in operative paragraph 13 of the draft resolution would constitute an addition to the documentation workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management of one pre-session document of 8,500 words to be issued in all six languages. This would entail additional requirements in the amount of $27,800 for documentation services in 2017.

17. Pursuant to operative paragraphs 15 and 16 of the draft resolution, the informal thematic sessions (six in total) would be held in New York, Geneva and Vienna for a maximum duration of 12 working days in total. Each session would be held for a duration of two working days and would consist of consecutive meetings held in the morning and the afternoon, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. There would be no parallel meetings during the sessions. The dates of the meetings would have to be determined in consultation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. The details of the sessions are as follows:

(a) Three informal thematic sessions in Geneva would be held over a total period of six days with interpretation (a team of 14 interpreters) in all six languages, which would constitute an addition to the meetings workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management in 2017 only. This would entail additional requirements for meetings services in the amount of $78,600. In addition, two conference officers would be required to travel to Geneva to service the three sessions ($22,300);

(b) Two informal thematic sessions in New York would be held over a total period of four days with interpretation in all six languages in 2017 only. The requirements for interpretation would be covered using the entitlements of the General Assembly, and hence there are no additional meetings implications for the sessions in New York;

(c) One informal thematic session in Vienna would be held over a period of two days with interpretation (a team of 14 interpreters) in all six languages, which would constitute an addition to the meetings workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management in 2017 only. This would entail additional requirements for meetings services in the amount of $26,000. In addition,

two conference officers would be required to travel to Vienna to service the session ($7,600). Furthermore, an estimated amount of $28,400 would be required for the reconfiguration of the conference rooms in the main conference building in Vienna (the M Building) into suitable rooms to accommodate the session.

18. With regard to operative paragraphs 23 and 24 of the draft resolution, it is understood that costs relating to the preparatory meeting to be held in Mexico would be covered by the Government of Mexico.

19. It is anticipated that fulfilment of the request contained in operative paragraph 26 of the draft resolution would constitute an addition to the documentation workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management of one pre-session document of 8,500 words to be issued in all six languages. This would entail additional requirements in the amount of $27,800 for documentation services in 2017.

20. With regard to the request contained in operative paragraph 28 of the draft resolution, it is envisaged that the meetings of the intergovernmental negotiations on the global compact would be held in New York with interpretation (a team of 20 interpreters) in all six languages over a period of 26 days in total, which would constitute an addition to the meetings workload of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management in 2018 only. This would entail additional requirements for meetings services in the amount of $442,000, which would be dealt with in the context of the proposed programme budget for 2018-2019.

21. Pursuant to operative paragraph 30 of the draft resolution, the meetings-servicing requirements of the four days of informal multi-stakeholder hearings between April 2017 and June 2018 would be covered using the entitlements of the General Assembly, and the timing of the meetings would be determined in consultation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.

22. In summary, one-time resource requirements in the amount of $632,100 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, and the amount of $28,400 under section 29G, Administration, Vienna, would be required under the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 and the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019. The details of these additional resource requirements are provided in table 1.

Table 1

Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, and section 29G, Administration, Vienna

(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*	*Resource requirements for 2018*
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management			
Interpretation	546 600	104 600	442 000
Pre-session documentation	55 600	55 600	–

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*	*Resource requirements for 2018*
Travel of two conference officers	29 900	29 900	–
Subtotal, section 2	**632 100**	**190 100**	**442 000**
Section 29G, Administration, Vienna			
Conference room remodeling	28 400	28 400	–
Subtotal, section 29G	**28 400**	**28 400**	**–**
Total	**660 500**	**218 500**	**442 000**

B. Non-conference-servicing requirements

Section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination

Travel of experts

23. With regard to operative paragraphs 15 and 16 of the draft resolution, it is estimated that resources in the amount of $305,300 would be required to provide for the travel of 12 subject-matter experts to attend the two-day informal thematic sessions, three of which would be held in Geneva, two in New York and one in Vienna. The experts, drawn from academia, civil society, regional organizations and the private sector, would take part in the panel discussions and contribute the wide range of expertise necessary to inform the discussion on the complex causes and effects of migration.

Travel of staff

24. Pursuant to operative paragraphs 10, 15, and 16 of the draft resolution, resources in the estimated amount of $182,800 would be required to provide for the travel of staff from the Office of the President of the General Assembly ($15,000) to support the informal thematic sessions to be held in Geneva and Vienna; to ensure consistency and continuity among the various preparatory meetings culminating in the 2018 conference on safe, orderly and regular migration; and the travel of the Secretary-General of the conference and an accompanying staff member ($167,800).

25. The amount of $167,800 would cover the travel of the Secretary-General of the conference and an accompanying staff member, including to attend four two-day informal thematic sessions, three of which would be held in Geneva and one in Vienna ($100,000); and the four two-day regional discussions ($67,800).

26. Table 2 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination.

Table 2
Section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination		
Travel of experts	305 300	305 300
Travel of staff	182 800	182 800
Total	**488 100**	**488 100**

Section 9, Economic and social affairs

Consultants

27. With regard to operative paragraph 26 of the draft resolution, it is estimated that resources in the amount of $54,000 would be required to provide for six months of consultancy for the conduct of research and analysis to produce a report that would include facts and figures on global migration trends and provide an analysis of the benefits and challenges of migration. The conclusions and recommendations contained in the report would inform the zero draft of the global compact.

Travel of staff

28. With regard to operative paragraph 15 of the draft resolution, it is estimated that resources in the amount of $11,200 would be required to provide for the travel of staff to attend three two-day informal thematic sessions, two of which would be held in Geneva and one in Vienna.

29. With regard to operative paragraph 22 (a) of the draft resolution, it is estimated that resources in the amount of $27,700 would be required to provide for the travel of staff to participate in the four regional discussions to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration.

30. Table 3 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 9, Economic and social affairs.

Table 3
Section 9, Economic and social affairs
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 9, Economic and social affairs		
Consultants	54 000	54 000
Travel of staff	38 900	38 900
Total	**92 900**	**92 900**

Section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice

31. In operative paragraph 15 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly requests the organization of a series of informal thematic sessions on facilitating safe, orderly and regular migration. It is estimated that resources would be required to provide for the areas listed below.

Consultants

32. Resources in the amount of $42,300 would be required to provide for four months of consultancy services to support the preparation and organization of the thematic sessions, including communication with Member States, the identification of panel experts, consultation with New York- and Geneva-based actors and the conduct of research and analysis to ensure the coherence of the agendas and pre-session documentation for the thematic sessions with both the broader work undertaken during phase I (consultations)and the ongoing intergovernmental expert discussions on trafficking in persons and the smuggling of migrants.

Travel of experts

33. Resources in the amount of $13,200 would be required to provide for the travel of six experts for one two-day informal thematic session to be held in Vienna. The experts would provide the substantive background knowledge necessary to inform the discussion on trafficking, which would contribute to phase II (stocktaking).

Travel of staff

34. It is estimated that resources in the amount of $4,700 would be required to provide for the travel of staff to support two of the three two-day informal thematic sessions to be held in Geneva.

35. Table 4 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice.

Table 4
Section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice		
Consultants	42 300	42 300
Travel of experts	13 200	13 200
Travel of staff	4 700	4 700
Total	**60 200**	**60 200**

Section 18, Economic and social development in Africa

36. In operative paragraph 22 (a) of the draft resolution, the General Assembly requests the regional economic commissions to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration and to provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact. It is estimated that resources would be required to provide for the areas listed below.

Consultants

37. Resources in the amount of $60,000 would be required to provide for a total of six months of consultancy services necessary for the preparation of a background paper for the regional discussions, as well as a summary report on the outcomes of the discussions. The areas to be covered include themes identified in the draft resolution, including the human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance; irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures; international cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration; the contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits; addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution; and the smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims.

Travel of experts

38. Resources in the amount of $35,500 would be required to provide for the travel of 18 experts, 6 for each of the three two-day regional discussions on regional and subregional aspects of international migration, with two discussions to be held in Addis Ababa and one to be held in Johannesburg, to examine the six themes identified in the draft resolution. The regional discussions would provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact, in the form of a summary report on the outcomes of the discussions.

Contractual services

39. Resources in the amount of $34,700 would be required to provide for interpretation in three languages (English, Arabic and French) and the printing, editing and translation of documents related to the regional discussions.

40. Table 5 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 18, Economic and social development in Africa.

Table 5
Section 18, Economic and social development in Africa
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 18, Economic and social development in Africa		
Consultants	60 000	60 000
Travel of experts	35 500	35 500
Contractual services	34 700	34 700
Total	**130 200**	**130 200**

Section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific

41. In operative paragraph 22 (a) of the draft resolution, the General Assembly requests the regional economic commissions to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration and to provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact. It is estimated that resources would be required to provide for the areas listed below.

Consultants

42. Resources in the amount of $24,000 would be required to provide for a total of four months of consultancy services to provide substantive inputs to a background paper. The areas to be covered include themes identified in the draft resolution, including the human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance; irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures; international cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration; the contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits; addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution; and the smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims.

Travel of experts

43. Resources in the amount of $33,900 would be required for the travel of 12 experts to participate in a two-day regional discussion to be held in Bangkok to examine the six themes identified in the draft resolution. The discussion would provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact, in the form of a summary report on the outcomes of the discussion.

Contractual services

44. Resources in the amount of $19,100 would be required to provide for interpretation, translation and editing in four languages (English, French, Chinese and Russian).

45. Table 6 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific.

Table 6
Section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific		
Consultants	24 000	24 000
Travel of experts	33 900	33 900
Contractual services	19 100	19 100
Total	**77 000**	**77 000**

Section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean

46. In operative paragraph 22 (a) of the draft resolution, the General Assembly requests the regional economic commissions to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration and to provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact. It is estimated that resources would be required to provide for the areas listed below.

Consultants

47. Resources in the amount of $20,000 would be required to provide for a total of four months of consultancy services necessary for the preparation of a background paper for the regional discussions, as well as a summary report on the outcomes of the discussions. The areas to be covered include themes identified in the draft resolution, including the human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance; irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures; international cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration; the contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits; addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution; and the smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims.

Travel of experts

48. Resources in the amount of $24,000 would be required to provide for the travel of 12 experts to participate in a two-day regional discussion to be held in Santiago to cover the six themes identified in the draft resolution. The regional discussion would provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact, in the form of a summary report on the outcomes of the discussion.

Contractual services

49. It is estimated that resources in the amount of $8,700 would be required to provide for the editing of documentation and its translation into French, and for interpretation services in English, French and Spanish.

50. Table 7 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Table 7
Section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean

(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		
Consultants	20 000	20 000
Travel of experts	24 000	24 000
Contractual services	8 700	8 700
Total	**52 700**	**52 700**

Section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia

51. In operative paragraph 22 (a) of the draft resolution, the General Assembly requests the regional economic commissions to examine regional and subregional aspects of international migration and to provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact. It is estimated that resources would be required to provide for the areas listed below.

Travel of staff

52. It is estimated that $6,900 would be required for the travel of four staff to support a two-day regional discussion to be held in Cairo on the global compact.

Consultants

53. Resources in the amount of $23,400 would be required to provide for a total of four months of consultancy services necessary for the preparation of a background paper for the regional discussions, as well as a summary report on the outcomes of the discussions. The areas to be covered include themes identified in the draft

resolution, including the human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance; irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures; international cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration; the contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits; addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution; and the smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims.

Travel of experts

54. Resources in the amount of $20,600 would be required for the travel of 12 experts to participate in a two-day regional discussion to examine the six themes identified in the draft resolution. The regional discussion would provide inputs to the preparatory process of the global compact, in the form of a summary report on the outcomes of the discussion.

Contractual services

55. Resources in the amount of $6,500 would be required to provide for interpretation services and the rental of premises during the regional discussion.

56. Table 8 summarizes the estimated resources required under section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia.

Table 8
Section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia

(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia		
Travel of staff	6 900	6 900
Consultants	23 400	23 400
Travel of experts	20 600	20 600
Contractual services	6 500	6 500
Total	**57 400**	**57 400**

Section 24, Human rights

Other staff costs

57. Pursuant to operative paragraph 15 of the draft resolution, resources amounting to $53,800 would be required to provide for a general temporary assistance position at the P-4 level for a period of three months for the conduct of

substantive research and analysis on legal and policy issues relating to migration and human rights, including desk review and analysis, as well as the preparation of background documentation in advance of each thematic session with a substantive analysis on the human rights-related aspects of the session.

Table 9
Section 24, Human rights
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 24, Human rights		
Other staff costs	53 800	53 800
Total	**53 800**	**53 800**

Section 28, Public information

Contractual services

58. With regard to operative paragraph 15 of the draft resolution, it is estimated that resources in the amount of $8,400 would be required in webcasting requirements for the informal thematic sessions.

Table 10
Section 28, Public information
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 28, Public information		
Contractual services	8 400	8 400
Total	**8 400**	**8 400**

Section 36, Staff assessment

Staff assessment

59. It is estimated that resources in the amount of $5,500 would be required to cover staff assessment related to general temporary assistance.

Table 11
Section 36, Staff assessment
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*
Section 36, Staff assessment		
Staff assessment	5 500	5 500
Total	**5 500**	**5 500**

VI. Summary of resource implications

60. The additional requirements of the proposal of the Secretary-General, amounting to $1,686,700, are detailed in table 12. The Secretary-General is requesting additional resources of $1,244,700 for 2017 only, under the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017.

Table 12
Additional resource requirements, by section of the programme budget
(United States dollars)

	Total resource requirements	*Resource requirements for 2017*	*Resource requirements for 2018*
Section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination	488 100	488 100	–
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	632 100	190 100	442 000
Section 9, Economic and social affairs	92 900	92 900	–
Section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice	60 200	60 200	–
Section 18, Economic and social development in Africa	130 200	130 200	–
Section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	77 000	77 000	–
Section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	52 700	52 700	–
Section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia	57 400	57 400	–
Section 24, Human rights	53 800	53 800	–
Section 28, Public information	8 400	8 400	
Section 29G, Administration, Vienna	28 400	28 400	–
Section 36, Staff assessment	5 500	5 500	–
Total	**1 686 700**	**1 244 700**	**442 000**

VII. Potential for absorption during the biennium 2016-2017

61. It is not possible at this stage to identify activities under sections 1, 2, 9, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 28, 29G and 36 of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 that could be terminated, deferred, curtailed or modified during the biennium in order to meet the additional requirements of $1,244,700. The adoption by the General Assembly of draft resolution A/71/L.58 would therefore entail additional requirements of $1,244,700 under the programme budget for the biennium.

VIII. Contingency fund

62. It will be recalled that, under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, a contingency fund is established for each biennium to accommodate additional expenditure derived from legislative mandates not provided for in the programme budget.

IX. Conclusion and action required of the General Assembly

63. **Should the General Assembly adopt draft resolution A/71/L.58, additional resource requirements in the amount of $1,244,700 for 2017 would arise under the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017, including $488,100 under section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination; $190,100 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management; $92,900 under section 9, Economic and social affairs; $60,200 under section 16, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice; $130,200 under section 18, Economic and social development in Africa; $77,000 under section 19, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific; $52,700 under section 21, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean; $57,400 under section 22, Economic and social development in Western Asia; $53,800 under section 24, Human rights; $8,400 under section 28, Public information; and $28,400 under section 29G, Administration, Vienna, as well as an additional amount of $5,500 under section 36, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment.**

64. **The amount of $1,244,700 would represent a charge against the contingency fund for the biennium 2016-2017. Accordingly, the General Assembly is requested to appropriate the additional amount of $1,244,700 for the biennium 2016-2017, which would represent a charge against the contingency fund.**

65. **The requirement for the biennium 2018-2019, as set out in table 12, would be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for 2018-2019 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management.**